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REPORT ON T.R.E.A.T. AT FEBRUARY MEETING

Coming up on Sunday, February 11, the monthly UFO Study Group meeting will feature a report on the latest T.R.E.A.T. (Treatment and Research of Experienced and Anomalous Trauma) Conference. Dr. Shaw is a St. Louis Psychiatric Specialist who has been working closely with Dr. John Carpenter and Budd Hopkins on abduction UFO investigations. The purpose of T.R.E.A.T. is to gather several dozen professional people of various backgrounds to take a serious scientific look at the abduction phenomenon.

Those attending these conferences are by invitation only and represent a cross section of psychiatrists, medical doctors, clinical research psychologists (some specializing in work on terrorists), family therapists and a few with extensive backgrounds in ufology.

This promises to be a fascinating insight into the abduction phenomenon. The UFO Study Group is extremely fortunate to have Dr. Shaw come and talk to us.

HANDLING PHYSICAL EVIDENCE - TOPIC OF JANUARY MEETING

By Margaret Myers

The UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, Inc. met for its first meeting of 1990, on January 14th at the Boatmen's Bank Building. John Schroeder, President, welcomed members and guests to the meeting, and spoke briefly regarding the purpose of the organization, after which he extended an invitation to all present to join in a brief "sharing time" during which announcements or personal experiences could be shared. In this segment, an announcement was made regarding the upcoming Ozark UFO Conference to be held in Eureka Springs, Arkansas on April 6-8, 1990. (See separate article on Ozark Conference for details.) Frank Brown followed with a brief review of UFO articles appearing in current supermarket tabloids and magazines.

After a brief refreshment break, Forest Crawford, Study Group Vice President and speaker for the meeting, established his credentials by stating that he had been investigating UFOs for 17 years, having first joined the organization when he was seventeen years old. At that time he assisted in investigative field work, and then went on to college where he studied chemistry and physics which he presently utilizes in his position at Monsanto, as well as in his



investigative field work.



Crawford stated that there are four players in the UFO game: 1) UFOs themselves, which seem to be the intelligently controlled part of this phenomenon; 2) Our Government (and other worldwide governments); 3) The Mutual UFO Network and other related UFO

organizations; 4) The general public.

The extraterrestrials have their own objectives and are up to something, and while we may think we know sometimes what their motives are, we can't make a bold statement because we are basing it on what we perceive that our motives might be if we were going to interact on a strange planet. We can't assume that they are thinking like we would be thinking were we in their place. Their motives are beyond our comprehension at this time. Since we are the most powerful human beings that we know of on this planet, if something comes here that is perhaps millions of times smarter than we are, we obviously would have a problem with that. It threatens our social safety because it threatens our control. The Government's motives are to protect us at all costs. If we are being threatened by someone or something that is beyond our military capability to handle, there is a great threat not only to our social structure but to our physical safety as well. The Government is choosing to keep secret at all costs whatever information they have about these matters, because there could be social and economic uprisings were the truth known by the general public, since we apparently have no defense against these ET's. On the other hand, people like the UFO Study Group and similar organizations would like to verify the crashes that have occurred and pass the information on to everybody, since we all obviously would be effected.

Author Budd Hopkins points to the fact that there is evidence to show that the extraterrestrials are doing genetic work with us, perhaps to improve some aspect of their species. A lot of effort is being put into keeping us from knowing about the growing number of abductions taking place worldwide.

Forest Crawford outlined the capabilities of the players in this UFO scenario as follows: 1) It is obvious that the extraterrestrials can do whatever they want, even to blanking out the memory of the abduction victim in most cases, many times for as long as twenty years. 2) The Government is capable of controlling the largest amount of technology on earth regarding weapons and science, and has a large monetary budget to fall back on. 3) On the other hand, most of the study groups and organizations like ours, are on low budgets and the money spent on investigations comes directly out of our pockets. We do have high level scientists working on these matters with us. We are trying to bring awareness to a high level so we can figure out just what to do about this problem.

Types of evidence: 1) Testimony of people, especially where there is an outstanding credibility factor; 2) Very good photographic evidence since it is harder to lie about a picture now than it was twenty years ago (due to great improvements in photographic equipment and computer enhancement technology); 3) Electromagnetic (physical) effects on car engines; 4) Trace evidence such as rings on the ground and broken limbs off trees; 5) Physiological effects, such as burns; 6) Artifacts such as things left behind, or debris from a crash.

One of the articles of evidence presently being evaluated is called "angel hair". Crawford indicated that he thought we would be surprised at how evidence is categorized, and why. He outlined the significance of evidence as follows: 1) Circumstantial evidence: circumstances of event, such as dirt particles and pollutants having gotten mixed in with "angel hair" as it fell through the atmosphere, or soil as it was gathered from the area on which it fell; 2) substantial evidence is something that is more solid than a burn ring on the ground which could have been caused by something else. It could be burns, scars, pieces from crash sites or pictures; 3) Conclusive evidence would be a big enough chunk of a crashed ship, or better yet, the body of an extraterrestrial. It is very difficult to gather evidence of any type since the Government keeps very close track of such matters and always turns up to claim it; or sometimes it is claimed by the "men in black" about

whom we know little. They could be Government agents of some type of extraterrestrials in some form.

Crawford outlined an interesting case in Northern Illinois that actually started on 10/04/89, but has continued on regularly from that time to as recently as 01/02/90. The primary witness is a MUFON investigator, who stated that he had been seeing objects in the sky every clear day during this period, but not always at the same time of the day. He also called in other individuals so there are multiple witnesses, including the MUFON State Director who came down to confirm the sightings and examine the "angel hair" phenomenon. It had been reported that at the time of these sightings some kind of webby material had been seen drifting down from the sky and as it fell closer to earth, it looked almost like a light snowfall. Sometimes it disintegrated as it hit the ground; nevertheless, he was able to gather some samples from the grass and trees. Sometimes it dissolved within 24 hours in the jars in which he gathered it. Apparently light and oxygen destroys it. A better system for storing the material was developed utilizing brown jars to help shield it from light, using dry nitrogen to evacuate air from the jars and finally sealing the jars with wax, putting them in plastic bags and storing them in a freezer. Samples have lasted quite long when packaged in this manner and some are currently being examined by a laboratory in Chicago. There have been infrared radiation tests run on some of the samples already with a wide variety of frequencies.

Some questions have been raised as to the possibility of this being a spiderweb generated by balloon spiders, since they actively migrate in the Fall and are known to float on balls of spiderwebs. Consequently, at this time, the jury is still out on the "angel hair" and it is only considered to be interesting evidence and not something conclusive.

Crawford's discourse was very stimulating and enlightening, and it was especially exciting to be able to examine and hold in your hand a little piece of this UFO mystery.

LIBRARY / ARCHIVE MEETINGS: BACK IN BUSINESS FOR 1990

By Ken Hanke

Once again, the Library and Archive Committee committee of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis will be meeting at the home of John and Peggy Roppolo. The next three meetings are scheduled for Sunday afternoons from 1:30 to 4:00 on February 18th, March 18th and April 22nd.

The purpose of the Library and Archive Committee is:

- * To study
- * To organize
- * To build the library collection
- * To communicate
- * To share information
- * To work with media products
- * To catalog books
- * To have fun!

All you need to join in the fun are willing hands and an open mind.

The Roppolo home is at 2032 Santa Monica in St. Charles. To get there from Interstate 70, take Highway 94 (First Capital) west to Pralle Lane. Turn right at the White Castle (Pralle and 94). Pralle ends at Santa Fe, so turn left at Santa Fe and right at Santa Barbara and right again at Santa Monica. If you are as confused by these directions as I am (after all, I made them up, not John or Peggy), please call the Roppolos at 946-4095.

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QUALITY RUSSIAN UFO SIGHTINGS PLUS

By John Schroeder

Ten enthusiastic members attended the January 10, 1990 Parapsychology Committee meeting. Since Warren Bartling requested that his review of Paul Neuman's Energy (advancing Tesla's theories) be postponed until the next meeting (7:30 p.m., February 7), Alex Horvat offered to share material on Russian UFO sightings sent him by Larry Bryant of CAUS fame.

Alex began by answering a question about the face on Mars. He cited two books, The Face of Mars by three authors and The Monuments on Mars by Hoagland as credible, giving data and photographic analysis. He then told of the work of Dr. Ray Orbison on the Washington University faculty who formerly was NASA's Secondary Mission Commander and has many NASA photos including #35A72 which shows the face. Washington Universities faculty members, of course, make no judgement on the face to maintain objectivity. Bruce Widaman added that pyramids and other geometrical designs apparent in close proximity to the face may indicate the prior existence of a city on Mars.

Quoting Larry Bryant's Foreign Pressnote, Alex stated social and scientific reasons to be loosening restrictions on UFO reporting. Contrary to tongue-in-cheek U.S. press coverage of Soviet sightings, they seem to be well investigated with serious scientific analysis. For example, in July 1988 near Delmagorsk, many witnesses saw a small, glowing, spherical object crash between twin peaks nearby. Metallurgists analyzed debris as gold, silver, molybdenum and beryllium interspersed with shards and globules of what seemed to be glass. One scientist theorized from its ion flare on approach "that the sphere could have been some sort of plasmoid formed by geophysical forces." Other scientists disputed this because the metallic fragments helped postulate solid matter ionized on entry into the earth's atmosphere.

In July 1989, two Soviet pilots contacted a large round UFO projecting three light beams down and two skyward. When they set their aircraft on a collision course to observe the object better, one sky beam was aimed into the

cockpit, temporarily blinding them with its intensity. Both were conscious of heat on their bodies. Intimidated by superior technology and feeling nauseated, they returned to their base. Periodic loss of consciousness and mild radiation symptoms caused both to resign their commissions. One died of cancer three months later induced by the UFO beam according to the report published on September 30, 1989.

In October 1989, a disk shaped object was seen descending on a grain field where it left a circular, swirling impression 62 meters across. Despite physical evidence in all three Russian cases and ground traces in two of them, one Soviet scientist was quoted as questioning "mass hysteria" as the reason for the frequency of recent UFO reports.

The "Sharing Session" offered a potpourri of UFO and parapsychological information. Warren Bartling told of a mountain climber, injured in a fall in the Swiss Alps, located by a psychic in Spain who knew the exact time of the rescue.

Warren, Walter Palmer and Alex Horvat linked three references to U.S. and foreign binocular-sighted laser ray guns used to bring down both an American airplane and an apparent UFO. Walter also commented on the high level of strangeness of succeeding earthquakes in China, New Guinea, the Pacific Islands and Alaska, all ringing the same tectonic plate. (Will seismic dynamics push that plate into and over the California coast at the San Andreas fault?) In reply to a question, Walter told that the book Strange Agenda recounts the disposal of 105 feet of J. Edgar Hoover's confidential files in an abandoned nightclub which mysteriously was destroyed by fire.

Bruce Widaman paralleled the metallic implants ascribed to "aliens" and the December 1989 advertisement by Biomedic Data Systems in "Science" magazine touting the placement of a computerized control chip placed in the brain of a white rat for "animal identification." He also recommended Ancient Man: A Handbook of Puzzling Artifacts by William Corliss. Corliss, we are told, may speak at the next Show-Me UFO Conference.

Other members noted the publication of a strange children's book, Space Case which details a child's abduction by a UFO; and told of a crystal located at the

site of a crashed UFO which seems to have been part of its control system. We are told that that crystal made mechanical watches slow down and electronic watches speed up. (No references adduced.)

The next Parapsychology Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, February 7, 7:30 p.m. at the Schroeders' home, 4991 Miami Street in St. Louis. Please call 352-3058 for further information or on how to get there.

NEW MEETING LOCATION FOR ST CHARLES UFO RESEARCH COMMITTEE

By Ken Hanke

The St. Charles Research Committee has found a new meeting location in Bridgeton. After the Bonanza Sirloin Pit located on South Duchesne in St. Charles closed two days before the December meeting, Committee Chairman Bruce Widaman began searching for a new meeting place. He found a new home for the group at the Bonanza Restaurant located at 12190 St. Charles Rock Road. The meetings will continue to be held on the third Tuesday of each month throughout the year beginning at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to come early and enjoy the food which is reported to be better than ever. Although the group is technically no longer meeting in St. Charles city or county, Widaman indicated that it will still be called the "St. Charles Research Committee." If you need directions to the new location or have any questions, please call Bruce Widaman at 946-1394.

DEAR CONNIE CHUNG

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is a letter sent by Alex Horvat, Missouri MUFON Public Information Director, and is reprinted with permission.

Dec. 28, 1989

Saturday Nite With Connie Chung

51 West 52nd Street
New York, NY 10019

Dear Producers and Connie Chung,

As a representative of a scientific research organization - MUFON, I would like to say "THANKS" for devoting time to what an extraterrestrial might look like.

This is in reference to the October 1989 report hosted by Connie Chung, produced by Jeff Cooperman, Nancy Hennessee and Robert Mayer with the reporting done by Robert (forgive me if I misspell his last name) Cruelwich or Pullwich?

The fact that you devoted time and effort to this important topic is commendable. However, the conclusions drawn from what little research was apparently done have baffled those scientists that have actually spent many years (privately and many cases) seriously volunteering their time to research the subject of UFOs and in some cases their extraterrestrial pilots.

Naturally, I realize any rebuttal is out of the question, so I would only like to request specific information about your research.

The reason is to give you the opportunity to regain what you have lost in the eyes of many who have seen the report - CREDIBILITY. Since credibility is a key to any TV news show and ratings mean success or failure, we thought you would enjoy a few facts about the public opinion on UFOs and how they have affected the ratings of various shows.

On September 20, 1989, NBC's "Unsolved Mysteries" led off their season with a well researched report of the "Roswell Incident." This crash and retrieval of a flying saucer near Roswell, New Mexico in July, 1947 and their non-human but human-oid looking pilots drew a lot of attention before the area was secured and the cover-up story was easily swallowed by the media. The story brought "Unsolved Mysteries" some of the highest ratings ever (possibly the highest - check it out).

Recent Gallup Polls reveal that at least 15 million Americans believe they have seen a UFO. Over the years this survey states that anywhere from 40 to 68% believe UFOs are real.

Since the extraterrestrial hypothesis

has become much more accepted as an explanation behind some UFOs, acknowledgment of this fact would seem natural if discussing, "What would ET look like." Which brings me to a few other questions.

The heavyweights mentioned that gave the four basic characteristics of the ET, who exactly were they and what are their backgrounds? Who transformed this data into the creatures that looked like something out of a very bad grade B monster movie? What is the background of the reporter covering the story? Have any of the people either giving information for the story or covering it ever had a security clearance? Lastly, was anyone involved in this project aware of organizations such as MUFON and other individuals such as Budd Hopkins, Stanton Friedman, Leonard Stringfield, George Fawcett, John Fuller and others who labored long and hard to get to the truth.

While some may find the prospect of an ET taking a humanoid form humorous (to quote Connie Chung, "They're just making this up"), there is much more to this story.

Perhaps UFO researcher and author of Situation Red - The UFO Siege, Leonard Stringfield, put it best, "It's the greatest story ever -- Never told."

The misinformation seeds sown by your October '89 show do nothing but harvest confusion. As a responsible research organization, we feel you should have access to the facts, the evidence, which if you have the courage and persistence to verify - you will find that great story.

All we wait for is the right person to ask the right questions. Call Alex Horvat at (314) 947-4116 or Bruce Widaman at (314) 946-1394, or write to the address indicated above.

Sincerely,
Alex Horvat, Missouri MUFON P.I.O.

OZARK UFO CONFERENCE

By Ken Hanke

The 1990 Ozark UFO Conference will be held on April 6-8. Once again, this now

annual converence will be held at the Inn Of The Ozarks in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Although the complete list of speakers is not yet available, it is anticipated that from 10 to 12 speakers will participate. At this time, those expressing interest in being a part of the program include Timothy Good (author of Above Top Secret and editor of The UFO Yearbook 1990), Ed Walters ("Mr. Ed" of Gulf Breeze, Florida), Linda Howe and Dr. John Altshuler (an update on cattle mutilations) and Gene M. Phillips (founder of the Ancient Astronaut Society). Invitations will be extended to some 5 to 7 other researchers who will present talks on various aspects of the UFO subject. We will keep you updated as more information is available.

The site of the conference will be the same as before, the INN OF THE OZARKS in Eureka Springs. One hundred rooms have been set aside for the conference, with special rates of \$36.00 for single and \$40.00 for double occupancy. Rooms can be reserved by calling the Inn at (501) 253-9768 or writing to Inn of the Ozarks, P.O. Box 431, Eureka Springs, AR 72632. In order to get these special room rates, please indicate that the reservations are for the Ozark UFO Conference.

The Conference registration fee of \$35.00 should be made payable to OZARK UFO CONFERENCE FUND and sent to Route 1, Box 220, Plumerville, AR 72127. The Conference will run from 1:00 p.m. Friday, April 6th through noon on Sunday, April 8th.

For those arriving by car, Eureka Springs is located on U.S. Highway 62, approximately 48 miles west of Harrison, Arkansas, 35 miles northeast of Fayetteville and about 10 miles south of the Missouri boarder. For more information, call (501) 354-2558.

Eureka Springs is known as the "Switzerland of the Ozarks". When I attended the first conference there two years ago, I found the town as beautiful and friendly as they said it was. The welcome to the UFO participants was only surpassed by the quality of the conference itself. I personally recomend this conference and (work permitting) hope to see you there.

WAYNESBORO, TENN. UFOCCI REPORTING IN

By Brent Raynes

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is an excerpt from the January, 1990 issue of The Missing Link, newsletter for the UFO CONTACT CENTER INTERNATIONAL. Our thanks go to it's editor, Aileen Bringle. The article recounts information from a letter to Brent Raynes by "LL". Is this a true happening or just an interesting story?

This is what she claims happened: "It was early morning and I was taking a shortcut across the reservation, at the back part of the base (where) it was covered with semi-open areas and heavy woods. There were some trees set out from the woods and this area had been used for training in the past year, but not at that time. There was training going on in another area at the time.

I was driving southwest and the sun was up but not full strength. It was good light out and no rain had fallen for a couple of days. Meaning that the ground was dry and no morning mist or fog was in force. The time was about 7 or 7:30 a.m. I was driving along at the speed limit and saw something in the woods to the left front at about 30 degrees to my face. It seemed to be long and white and there were many of these white things. I looked again and was very curious about what they were. They were about as big as a large tree trunk and just as long. One hung from a trunk to the ground. I stopped the car for a better look and tried to guess what it was. Thinking that it must be some military equipment but what kind was impossible to guess. They just don't leave things laying or hanging around like that.

I got out of the car and went over to look. Now the distance is about 200 yards off the road to the white things. This road was little used and is not a major road but is blacktopped. It was the easiest for me though to get to my job. As I got closer to the white things, they looked more opaque; like a frosted bathroom window. They looked as I thought, much like a cocoon of a white material.

The one I could see better was on the ground under the tree so was flat on one side. The upper surface was rounded on

each end and rising higher in the center top. It looked like millions of tiny threads made up the fiber of the things and you could see a form of some sort inside, but not real clear. The fiber was like fiberglass of today - is the only way I can explain it. I touched it and it was sticky to touch but not like glue.

It scared me so I ran back to the car, turned around and found a base police officer. I told him all about it and he went back with me. He went over to the tree white things (cocoon or pods?), touched them and looked all around. He then came back and used his radio. I don't know what he said but he came back and ordered me to stay in my car and not to leave. Pretty soon here came an officer and about five base police. They went over - and I could see that these white things were getting more clear as time went on. You could clearly make out human forms! They came over and asked me all kinds of dumb questions.

Now, I have funny hearing and male voices are easier to hear than womens'. I overheard that the forms were males and there were holes on the necks of each. The skin was pale or parchment white from what I could see. The hair was of normal color and the males were naked! There were no marks on the body other than mentioned. I've been around dead bodies hundreds of times in many ways, but this was very different in some way. They looked flatter!

They took the three forms and what white fiber they could get into jars but the fiber seemed to just dissipate at the same rate as the rest of it was. There didn't seem to be any residue in the jar either.

They took me back to headquarters and asked me more questions, but all I knew was what they knew. They did warn me not to say anything and you're the first to know about it. What I overheard at headquarters was that each body was drained of blood! Also, that the bodies were of three scientists who worked in different parts of the world on something. Military stuff.

When they saw my door was open they closed their door and mine. There was a guard also at my door. Being German, I got mad in keeping me there and started to make a fuss. They let me go then.

One thing is that while at the scene,

and after awhile, they took me over to the three pods to show them what I did and did not do. I was told to make it exactly the same."

About the statement regarding being around hundreds of dead bodies. LL describes herself as having worked as an EMT and presently has "own business of taking care of the dying people."

Calendar

February 1990

Wed. Feb. 7 - Parapsychology Committee Meeting at the Schroeder home, 4991 Miami St., St. Louis, MO (7:30 p.m.)

Sun. Feb. 11 - UFO Study Group Meeting at the BOATMEN'S NATIONAL BANK at 75 West Lockwood (corner of Lockwood and Gore - across from the Farm and Home Savings and Loan building), Webster Grove, MO. (2:00 p.m.)

Sun. Feb. 18 - Library / Archive Committee at the Roppolo home, 2032 Santa Monica, St. Charles (1:30 p.m.)

Tues. Feb. 20 - St. Charles UFO Research Committee at the Bonanza Restaurant, 12190 St. Charles Rock Rd., Bridgeton MO. (7:30 p.m.)

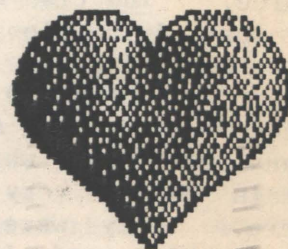
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